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THERMAL EXPANSION  
PANEL

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**RESPONSE TO MARCH 8, 2007 OFFICE ACTION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the March 8, 2007 non-final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response is due June 8, 2007. Accordingly, this response is being filed timely. If any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

**Amendments to the Specification** is set forth beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** is set forth beginning on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** is set forth beginning on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** are set forth beginning on page 7 of this paper.